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# Southern Region News Release Chicken and Eggs

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#### **January Egg Production Up 2 Percent**

United States egg production totaled 8.54 billion during January 2015, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.43 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 86 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2015 averaged 364 million, up 1 percent from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,348 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2014.

All layers in the United States on February 1, 2015 totaled 362 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 362 million layers consisted of 305 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.57 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2015, averaged 74.9 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from February 1, 2014.

Egg Production by Type — States and United States: January 2014 and 2015

	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
State	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent
Alabama	179	182	102	35	39	111	144	143	99
Florida	201	210	104	197	206	105	4	4	100
Georgia	400	408	102	229	236	103	171	172	101
South Carolina	101	97	96	80	74	93	21	23	110
United States	8,397	8,541	102	7,321	7,430	101	1,077	1,111	103

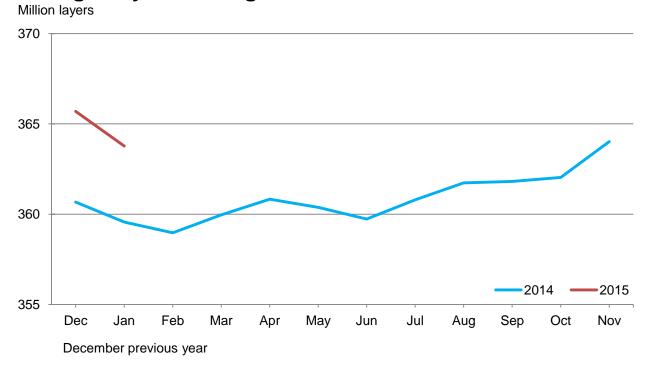
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#### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During January 2014 and 2015

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent
Alabama	1,506	1,536	102	9,275	9,268	100	1,930	1,964	102
Florida	8,264	8,760	106	8,655	9,122	105	2,322	2,302	99
Georgia	9,252	10,009	108	18,105	18,869	104	2,209	2,162	98
South Carolina	3,115	3,178	102	4,368	4,437	102	2,312	2,186	95
United States	295,389	298,384	101	359,556	363,769	101	2,335	2,348	101

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## **Average Layers During the Month — United States**



### All Egg Production During the Month — United States

